

PRESIDENT FOR TARIFF BILL SOLDIERS' BONUS

Regards Tariff Legislation as Most Important and Worthy of the Undivided Attention of the Senate—Proponents of the Bonus Are Expected to Make a Fight to Side-Track the Tariff Bill for Action on Soldiers' Bonus—Substitute Proposals for the Amended House Bonus Bill Being Put Forward.

Washington, June 12.—Senate republicans are expected to make a fight to side-track the tariff bill for action on soldiers' bonus. The tariff bill, which was introduced by Senator McCumber, of Iowa, is expected to be taken up by the Senate in the near future. It was stated, officially today at the White House, that the tariff bill is the most important and worthy of the undivided attention of the Senate.

Plans for consideration of the bonus bill are very indefinite, but they may take shape after the return here tomorrow of Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, the republican leader who has been campaigning in his home state. Some leaders desire that a party conference pass upon the question of the right of way between the two bills but should such a conference be called Senator McCumber and other proponents of the bonus are expected to make a fight against delaying senate action on that measure until the tariff bill has been disposed of.

Senator McCumber has given notice that he will call up the bill in the near future. He has not yet fixed upon a definite date as he is to accommodate the convenience of senators who must be absent from Washington from time to time, and yet who desire to be on hand when the bonus is under discussion.

Some leaders said today there was a probability that the bill would be called up the latter part of next week or early in the week following unless an agreement was reached in party conference to defer action.

Meanwhile, substitute proposals for the amended House bonus bill are being put forward by Senator McCumber's colleagues, Senator Ladd, republican, North Dakota, and Senator Simmons, democrat, Michigan.

The latest was offered today by Senator McCumber's colleague, Senator Ladd, republican, North Dakota. It would provide for cash bonus to the soldiers to be paid by the issue of \$2,500,000,000 or less, of legal tender treasury notes to be retired over a period of twenty-five years out of proceeds from the sale of tariff bonds and interest received from the foreign indebtedness.

Senator Ladd's plan contemplates a tax on all banking institutions having a capital stock of \$100,000 or more equal to 50 per cent of the profits in excess of 12 per cent and the insufficient to pay the annual refunding installment on the legal tender issued to veterans the deficiency would be made up out of the federal treasury.

Explaining his amendment, Senator Ladd said in a formal statement that a few would contend that in the light of present economic conditions banks should make a profit greater than 12 per cent. He argued that this plan would cause no inflation of credits and contended that in this manner the soldiers could be paid at little expense to the government.

TARIFF BILL HAVING A TOUGH TIME IN SENATE
Washington, June 13.—The administration tariff bill was subjected to another general attack today in the Senate. Senator Simmons, democrat, North Carolina, who declared the committee duty of 80 per cent ad valorem on red and yellow furniture—subsequently was approved—was illustrative of the plan of the majority as outlined in the whole bill.

Brother of Ward Refused to Testify Ship Subsidy Bill

Father and Mother-in-Law of the Slayer Did Not Appear Before Grand Jury—Avoid Subpoenas.

White Plains, N. Y., June 12.—Two men who knew Walter S. Ward, wealthy young banker, who has confessed to killing Clarence Peters, when Ward played the races, told their stories to District Attorney Weeks just before the grand jury met to consider the Ward case today.

The men were Alfred E. B. B. a not track follower and Elwood Heffner, in whose pocket was found a letter written by Ward on the day Peters was killed. B. B. declared he had received no other communication from the man who was to be tried for the murder of Peters. He said he had seen Ward only once, at a party given by the grand jury but went to Mr. Weeks to tell his story voluntarily.

He asserted that Ward impressed him as being a "fine fellow" and did not appear to him to be a "reacher." B. B.'s sister, however, has asserted that Blute gave Ward a job on a horse named Asmus which paid him money but that Ward was a heavy tax on tableware and then you go after the furniture in the home, leaving a duty of 60 per cent on furniture in common use throughout the country.

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BRIEF TELEGRAMS

This week will be one of speechmaking in southern Ireland, preparatory to the parliamentary elections on Friday.

The death is announced in Madrid of Don Aureliano de Beruete y Moret, director of the Prado Museum and noted art critic.

The British battle cruiser Renown, bearing the Prince of Wales, sailed from Port Said on the last lap of the prince's eastern tour.

Herbert Hoover, wartime relief work in Belgium soon is to be further recognized by the award to him of a special medal by the Belgian government.

Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, who is visiting the battlefields of East Prussia, will probably be politely asked by the government to abstain from further excursions of this nature.

Hundreds of delegates to the annual convention of the Northern Baptist churches began arriving in Indianapolis, to attend preliminary matters prior to the opening of the convention today.

The steamship Mauretania, which arrived at Southampton, set two new world's records for speed on her latest voyage, said a cablegram received by the Cunard line.

Herman A. Fiedler, 47 years old, vice president of the Bates Street Shirt Co., of Lewiston, Me., died there Monday.

An army airplane was wrecked at Pittsfield, Mass., when it went into soft ground on the take-off. Lieut. George Hodge was pinned in the rear pit but was not seriously hurt.

Dr. Edward H. Nichols, associate professor of the Harvard Medical School and in medical charge of the eye, ear, nose and throat department since 1904, died at his home in Boston.

According to reports from Tibet two selected members of General Bruce's expedition party are now attempting to reach the summit of Mt. Everest, the goal of the expedition.

300 PERSONS DROWNED BY FLOOD IN SALVADOR

Capital of the Central American Republic was Inundated When Two Rivers Overflowed Their Banks—The Flood Was Caused by Torrential Rainfall For Two Days—The Government Has Sent a Relief Expedition to Aid People in Distress.

San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, June 12.—(By The A. P.)—Three hundred persons are known to have been drowned and many persons are missing following an abnormal rise in the Acchuete and Arenal rivers, which overflowed their banks and joined together in one stream, inundating the Candelaria district of this city. Several houses were swept away by the flood.

The bodies of three hundred men, women and children have been found. The flood was caused by a two day torrential rain.

The government has sent a relief expedition here to succor people in distress. A large subscription list has been started for the relief of the sufferers.

SALE OF LIQUOR ON SHIPPING BOARD SHIPS
Washington, June 12.—Attack on the shipping board for permitting sale of liquor on American ships was made in the House today by Representative Gulliver, democrat, Massachusetts.

Holding up what he said was a wine list from the Steamship President Pierce, Gulliver declared that the ship was under the Volstead law "we cannot get drunk on land, but we can at sea."

There was a roar from members of the House when Gulliver read from the list to show that American wine whiskey could be bought aboard ship at twenty cents a drink, and Jamaica rum "think of it—for two bits."

"It's open violation of the law," he said, "it's one laugh when we read so much about law and order now that the 15th amendment has been adopted. Here and now I desire to call attention to and emphasize the bare faced hypocrisy of a government appropriating money to enforce this child of prohibition and at the same time appropriating money to advertise the violation of its own law."

His own ships (he said) they act outside the three-mile limit.

"I hold in my hand the wine list of one of Mr. Lasker's sailing ships. It was formerly known as the Steamship President Pierce. It is one of the most prominent transatlantic ships of the United States line. When I read its wine list it is not with any intention of giving pain or sorrow to any member of Congress who voted for the Volstead law. Rather, it is to let Congress and the country know how on American territory, under federal appropriations, the law is violated."

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